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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In the application of:)
Lingyan Liu et al.)
Serial No: 10/825,767)
Filed: April 16, 2004) Group Art Unit
SPINAL IMPLANT AND CUTTING) 3738
TOOL PREPARATION ACCESSORY)
FOR MOUNTING THE IMPLANT)

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please consider this Preliminary Amendment in the above-captioned application prior to examination.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 3.

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